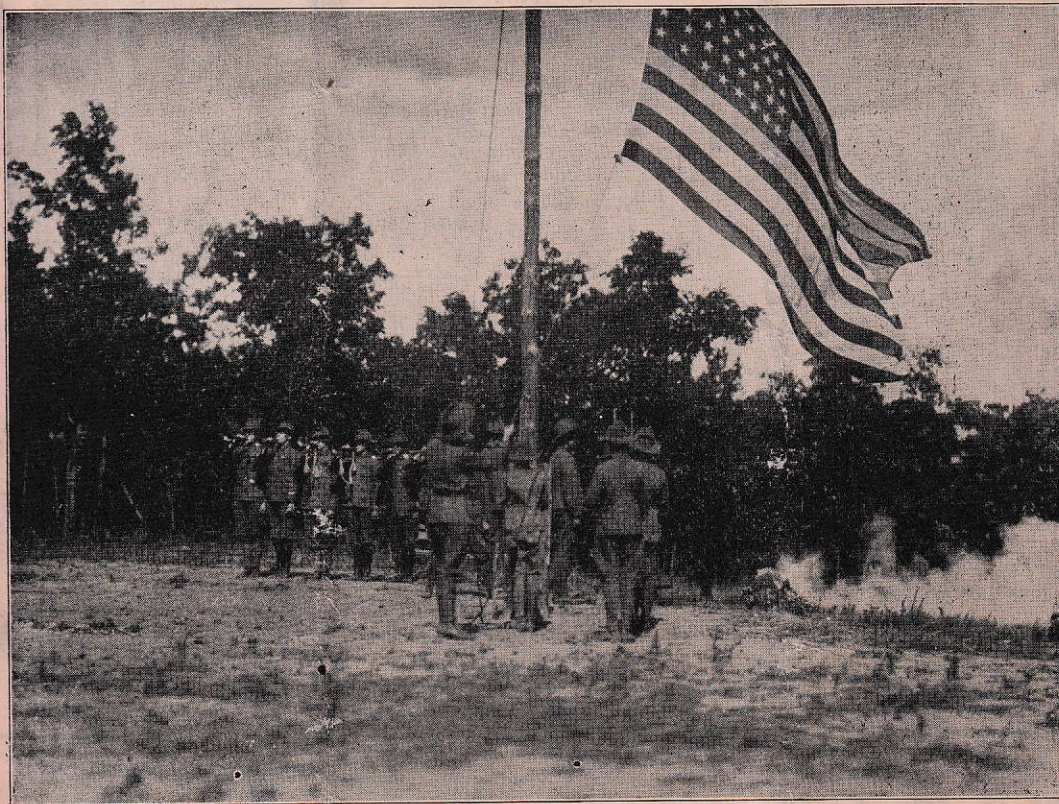


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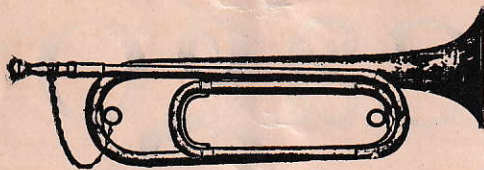
"Retreat"—Camp Owasippi, Whitehall, Mich.

## SALUTE THE COLORS

At Retreat Scouts should stand at attention and at last note of bugle give the salute. If not in uniform, he uncovers. If colors pass in review or on parade, uncover when it passes.



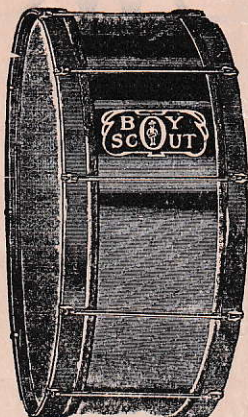
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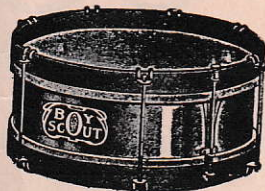
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Safety First—Look Both Ways

## FIRE PREVENTION DAY

IN CHICAGO

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9th

### It's a Big Day for Scouts

SAFETY FIRST—ACCIDENT AND FIRE PREVENTION

By H. G. Barnes

Deputy Chief Engineer Bureau Fire Prevention and Public Safety, City of Chicago.

October 9th stands throughout the nation for Fire and Accident Prevention in every way possible as the Scout Oath and Law stand for the best Scout possible. Every year there

are over eighty-four thousand deaths and five hundred thousand injuries due to accidents and fires and a loss of over five hundred million dollars. Statistics prove that 80% of



these losses are preventable or that they would not have occurred had definite and well known laws, rules and regulations been followed.

The Scout has taken the oath to help other people at all times. What greater service or help can he render to all people than to reduce the above losses, which bring so much sorrow and misery in our midst? Every Scout has a law which he has sworn on his honor (and how great is a Scout's honor) to obey, and the first part of this law is to be "Trustworthy." Everyone who sees a Scout immediately thinks because of his past relations with other Scouts that that Scout knows how and will do all he can to promote public welfare; that Scout can be relied upon in an emergency to do the right thing. That is the trust the Scout has in care of fire or accident. He knows how to call the fire department, how to enter burning buildings and carry out victims who are overcome. He can revive them by artificial respiration. He can treat those injured in case of accident, tie a tourniquet, make splints, slings, etc., but how much better it would be if the Scout knew and executed the full meaning of "prevention" and helped to reduce the 80% of preventable fires and accidents.

To prevent accidents you must be constantly on the alert; never rush hastily in the way of danger; look both ways before you cross the street and then only at the proper place when the traffic officer gives the signal; never get on or off street cars, trains, automobiles, etc., until they come to a full stop; don't play or hike along the railroad tracks. Make yourself the guard of those with you and do not at any time betray your trustfulness by allowing anything to happen to your party. Be constantly on the alert. Appoint yourself Fire Marshal for your own home. Before you build a fire in the furnace or boiler this Fall see that the chimney is cleaned out and that no cracks have occurred in the same. Clean all combustible material away from near the furnace. Keep all wood away from the stove. Do not start fires with kerosene. At all times respect the match. Do not use the match for looking in closets. This causes many fires in the small home, and when you do use matches for any real legitimate reason use only the safety or "strike on the box" kind. If your people have the other, or what is called parlor matches around, tell them you are the Fire Marshal of your home and you recommend the safety match. Keep all rubbish cleaned up about the yard and in the house for combustible rubbish feeds and spreads fire.

See that you, as Fire Marshal of your home, have always in a certain place a fire extinguisher or a bucket of water which you know is there and can be used if fire occurs. A fire in the State Capitol at Albany, N. Y., caused a loss of one million, five hundred thousand

dollars. The watchman who saw the fire start testified at an inquest that had there been one pail of water on the floor where the fire started he could have put it out. Do not allow anyone in the house where you are Fire Marshal to use benzine or gasoline for cleaning. If they persist, tell them they must go out of doors to use this volatile, inflammable liquid which is very dangerous. A small amount of gasoline or benzine will mix with air and form a vapor which will explode on contact with any open flame. Also remember that the gasoline which is used in automobiles is just as explosive and for that reason do not allow anyone in your presence to fill their car with gasoline while smoking or near any open light and if possible ask them to shut off their engine because many automobiles are destroyed every year and many people are severely burned from these apparently harmless acts.

Whenever you attend any public gathering or a theater, always locate the nearest exits. Over every exit from any theater or hall in the city of Chicago should be a red light with an "Exit" sign over the same. If this light is not burning or if the sign is missing, you should report it in a courteous manner to the manager and if this is done in the right way I believe the manager will immediately put the same in good working order.

But while you are exercising your authority as Fire Marshal in your home or at any other place, remember that a Scout is courteous and you will find that people will see the wisdom of your suggestions much quicker if you approach them with a salute and in a courteous manner.



"Some" Scouts  
Midlothian Scout Farm

### "NOBODY HOME" An Adventure in Electricity

Customer—"Why didn't you send your man to mend my bell?"

Electrician—"He decided no one was home because he rang three times and got no answer."—Buffalo Scout Trail.



# BOY SCOUT WAR SERVICE RECORD HONOR ROLL SCOUTS

## Troop

Hdqrs. Office—Earl L. Rice, Ambulance Corps, Dr. Besley's Unit, France.  
 548—P. E. Coester, Ambulance Corps, Dr. Besley's Unit, France.  
 510—Staley Archibald, Ambulance Corps, Dr. Besley's Unit, France.  
 510—S. Hobart Lockett, Ambulance Corps, Dr. Besley's Unit, France.  
 235—Ed. V. Kohout, Ambulance Corps, Dr. Besley's Unit, France.  
 806—Eric L. Kohler, 1st Lieut., Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill.  
 882—Ralph McGuire, 149th Artillery, Camp Mills, N. Y.  
 882—Royal W. Thompson, 149th Artillery, Camp Mills, N. Y.  
 847—Frank G. Marshall, 2nd Lieut., Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill.  
 805—Andrew Thompson, Field Ambulance Corps, National Guards.  
 854—Harold Crellin, Field Ambulance Corps, National Guards.  
 511—John H. McKee, Lieut., unassigned.  
 508—Davies Lazaer, Lieut., Medical Corps.  
 804—E. B. Thomas, 2nd Lieut., National Artillery.  
 815—Andrew Thomson, Infantry, Houston, Texas.  
 604—Walter Orring, Medical Corps.  
 559—N. C. Hansen, Infantry, Camp Grant, Rockford.  
 139—Chas. L. Alling, Commissary Dept., Atlanta, Ga.  
 87—W. R. Stebbins, 11th Inf., Springfield, Illinois.  
 15—C. H. Brenner, Infantry, Camp Grant, Rockford.  
 15—Berle Brenner, U. S. Naval Forces.  
 240—David N. Anderson, U. S. Naval Forces.  
 225—Frank Carter, 40th Infantry, Ft. Snelling, Minn.  
 278—John Campanella, 2nd Inf., Houston, Texas.  
 278—Joe Campanella, 2nd Inf., Houston, Tex.  
 278—Wm. Evans, 2nd Inf., Houston, Texas.  
 100—Mr. Clancy, Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill.  
 100—Tony Gruwato, 2nd Infantry, Houston, Texas.  
 100—Jack Epstein, 2nd Infantry, Houston, Texas.  
 100—Dominick Fodell, 2nd Infantry, Houston, Texas.  
 629—Henry Krupp, 5th Corps Engineers, Brownsville, Texas.  
 611—Emmett R. Capps, Ft. Riley, Kansas.  
 415—Joseph Jandacek, American Aviation Corps, France.  
 466—Harold Osborne, 2nd Infantry, Houston, Texas.  
 414—Alfred Skallesh, U. S. Regulars.  
 414—Frank Lassowsky, Canadian Navy.



"Oh, Boy! It's Great"  
Trout Stream, Camp Owassippi

414—Dan Shordinsky, 2nd Infantry, Houston, Texas.  
 703—H. Kirkpatrick, 1st Ill. Div. Inf., Camp Grant, Rockford.  
 704—A. B. George, Y. M. C. A. Hdqrs., Ft. Sheridan, Ill.

## NORTH SHORE MEN

At Ft. Sheridan:  
 E. L. Kohler, S. M., Tr. 806.  
 E. B. Thomas, S. M., Tr. 804.  
 Philip Hoffman, S. M., Tr. 815.  
 Frank G. Marshall, S. M., Tr. 847.  
 Engineering Corps, left for France:  
 Jesse I. Menkin, S. M., Tr. 838.  
 Ambulance Corps:  
 L. R. Helmkamp, A. S. M., Tr. 856.  
 Harold Crellin, A. S. M., Tr. 845.  
 A. H. Thompson, Scout.

## NORTH WEST DISTRICT

Berl Brenner, Assistant Scout Master, Troop 15, Marine Service.  
 Wm. J. Robinson, Scout Master, Troop 70, Militia.  
 Ervin Heckel, Assistant Scout Master, Troop 109, Regular Army.  
 S. A. Fuqua, Scout Master, Troop 24, Red Cross.  
 G. A. Schulz, Assistant Scout Master, Troop 28 Militia.  
 Mr. Morehead, Scout Master, Troop 70, Militia.

## WOODLAWN SCOUTS

Jay Bolton, troop 1, Navy.  
 Paul Brown, troop 11, Marines.  
 William Calder, troop 1, Hospital Corps.



## CHICAGO SCOUT NEWS

Walter Wood, troop 1, 2nd. Lieutenant U. S. A.

Percival Stelman, troop 1, U. S. A.

Montel Meeks, troop 1, Illinois Nat'l Guard.

Samuel Geisy, troop 1, 2nd. Lieutenant, 2nd Florida Infantry.

Garland Anderson, troop 1, Marines.

Charles Richards, troop 1, Annapolis Naval Academy.

Charles Nerdinger, troop 1, Ill. Nat'l Guard.

Irving Showerman, troop 1, Ill. Nat'l Guard.

Gordon Buell, troop 23, Ill. Nat'l Guard.

Gordon O'Neill, troop 23, Marines.

Leonard Young, troop 23, Navy.

Oliver Hansen, troop 1, Navy.

Howard Wells, troop 1, Navy.

### COMMISSIONED OFFICERS:

Benj. Hammer, Asst S. M., troop 556, Navy.

C. L. Southwick, S. M., troop 564, Captain, U. S. A.

John R. Briggs, Ass't S. M., troop 1, 1st Ill. Inf.

A. W. Essig, S. M., troop 580, Medical Dep't, U. S. A. Hdq.

Howard P. Roe, S. M., troop 557, Reserve Off. Training Camp.

N. C. Hansen, Ass't S. M., troop 568, National Army.

W. R. Newton, S. M., troop 558, 1st Lieut, Mo. Inf.

## NEW REGULATIONS ON WEARING THE SCOUT BADGE

The increased use of the khaki uniform by members of the United States Army, militia, home defense leagues and various other men and boy organizations makes it very desirable for us to safeguard our movement from unfair criticism due to confusion and misunderstanding occasioned by similarity of such uniforms to those worn by our own members.

As has been announced previously, Section 125 of the Army Reorganization Law specifically excepts only the Boy Scouts of America from the provisions restricting to the members of the U. S. Army, Navy and Marine Corps the right to wear uniforms peculiar to those branches of the Government service or similar thereto. Already the War Department is beginning to enforce this law regarding the authorized wearing of such uniforms. It behooves us to co-operate with the War Department in any way within our power.

### Metal Badge on Front of Hat

With this end in view and in order that the Boy Scouts of America may be readily discovered and recognized at any time in case they are needed for service, it has been decided, for the period of the war, to require all scouts to wear their badge of rank AT ALL TIMES, either on the coat or shirt, or better still wear a metal badge of rank on the front of the hat, as has been the practice among the English scouts since the date of their organization.

A Nut—"Why didn't they play cards in the ark?"

Nut T—"Shoot."

A Nut—"Because Noah stood on the deck."

Diner—"Is there any soup on this bill of fare?"

Waiter—"There was, sir, but I wiped it off."



Sturgeon Bay, Wis., Camp. "Off to the Cherry Orchards"





Sturgeon Bay Camp  
100 tons of cherries picked by Chicago  
Boy Scouts.

### CHICAGO SCOUTS SECURING TEN OR MORE LIBERTY BOND APPLICATIONS FROM TEN OR MORE DIFFERENT FAMILIES

An Addition To The List Published Last  
Month

Troop	Name	No. Bonds	Amount
522	Henry Weiss	11	\$ 700.00
803	Albert S. Arentz	16	2,050.00
522	John Grabfield	11	950.00
805	Edward Bentley	14	1,200.00
377	Hiram Earle	12	800.00
377	Harris Goodwin	21	1,250.00
568	James Gallighan	11	650.00
820	Henry Fenerlicht	14	850.00
87	Harry Phillips	11	900.00
75	Duane Heller	10	2,250.00

#### West Suburban District

#### RIVERSIDE No. 1

James McDougal	12
Gardiner Lipsey	10
Carl Lindquist	21
Joseph Bradbury	10
Gardiner Stevens	20
Edward Belding	14
James Teller	13
Lawrence Eckmann	14

#### RIVERSIDE No. 2

Thomas Bradbury	10
Russell Cook	10
Horton Conrad	10
Herman Hegner	11
J. Lohner	13
Elmer Rohnes	17
Roland Mains	19

### LIBERTY BOND EMBLEMS

All of you boys who sold Liberty Bonds have, by this time, received the certificates to evidence that fact. You are no doubt wondering why you have not received the medals that were to be awarded to those who sold ten or more bonds to ten or more different families.

In a recent meeting of Scout Executives, Mr. West gave this information. The design that has been made for these emblems or medals is a very handsome one. It incorporates both the Scout Badge and the seal of the United States Treasury Department, but in order to do this it is necessary to have the permission of Secretary McAdoo. He is so very busy just at present that although our president, Mr. Livingstone has been doing his best, he has not been able to get Mr. McAdoo's final action in the matter.

You will be interested to know that plans for the awarding of these emblems are under consideration, whereby they will be awarded to you directly by some official of the United States Government.

Under the circumstances the wait is justified—isn't it?

### TROOP 193

Friday evening, August 7th, members of Troop 193 tendered a farewell banquet in honor of their Scoutmaster, Mr. Joseph E. Hind, who departed for Rockford the following morning, accompanied by the uniformed Troop. The memorable occasion was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Byrne. Our Scoutmaster's parents were present among many other neighborhood friends. Joe, as he is known to all intimate friends, was presented with an army wrist watch by his loyal scouts. Although a merry occasion, we sincerely regret the loss of our "Joe."

T. Sullivan, Scribe.

A Scout has the two words "Be Prepared" always on his mind.

A Scout should be the last to start a quarrel and the first to prevent it.

A Scout looks out for others as well as himself.

A Scout sets duty first, and pleasure after.  
—Buffalo Scout Trail.



## OUR FLAG

### RULES OF RESPECT OBSERVED BY THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

It should not be hoisted before sunrise nor allowed to remain up after sunset. At "retreat," sunset, civilian spectators should stand at attention and give the military salute.

WHEN THE NATIONAL COLORS ARE PASSING ON PARADE or review, the spectators should, if walking, halt, and if sitting, rise and stand at attention, AND UNCOVER.

When the flag is flown at half staff as a sign of mourning, it should be hoisted to full staff at the conclusion of the funeral. In placing the flag at half mast, it should first be hoisted to the top of the staff and then lowered to position, and preliminary to lowering from half staff it should be first raised to top.

On Memorial Day, May 30th, the flag should fly at half mast from sunrise until noon, and full staff from noon to sunset.

The flag should never be allowed to touch the ground, and should never be raised or lowered by any mechanical appliance.

When the national and school, troop, or other flags are flown together, the national flag should be on the right side of the building or lawn, and should be carried thus.

When the flag is used as a banner—that is, suspended on a rope across a street or from a window, the union, or field, should fly to the north or to the east.

When flags are used in an unveiling of a statue or monument, they should not be allowed to fall to the ground, but should be carried aloft to wave out, forming a distinct feature during the remainder of the ceremony.

The flag should never be laid over a table, or wound around a post, or tacked against a wall. It should always be flown to the breeze from a pole. Red, white and blue bunting alone should be used for purposes of decoration.

The following are the days when the flag should be displayed:

Lincoln's Birthday, February 12; Washington's Birthday, February 22; Mothers' Day, second Sunday in May; Memorial Day (half staff until noon), May 30; Flag Day, June 14; Battle of Bunker Hill, June 17; Independence Day, July 4; also many local patriotic anniversaries.





**Midlothian Scout Farm**  
**"The Weed Terriers"**

### **SOUTH WEST DISTRICT NEWS**

#### **News From The Boy Scout Farm, Midlothian, Ill.**

The combination work and play farming camp of the boys of our district has been quite a success. Early in the spring we set out with a view of developing such a farm plan as would reach every boy of our district and the plan has worked wonderfully well. At the close of the harvesting season we shall have reached about 95% of the boys of our district. That is, this number of boys will have worked a certain number of hours on the farm.

The farm has been a success from several points of view. First, from a financial standpoint we have met with remarkable success. The crops have all been good. The beans especially have surpassed our sanguine expectations. We thought that we would realize in the neighborhood of ten bushels per acre for our large acreage of beans. Now it looks as though we would harvest in the neighborhood of fifteen or twenty. Tomatoes are equally as fine. They will average in the neighborhood of five hundred bushels per acre. We have so far disposed of over a thousand bunches of beets and about half that number of turnips and carrots. The cabbage crop is good. The cantaloupes are beginning to ripen and there are cantaloupes in abundance. Sweet corn has been one of our most prolific crops. We will realize in the course of the next week something around \$300.00 from our corn patch alone.

In the second place the farm has been a success from the fact that it has reached so many boys and enabled them to experience something of the cost in effort, sacrifice and work to grow a crop. It has also put the boys in a very friendly attitude toward the farmer. It has helped the boy to realize as never before, something of his latent abilities. It has given the boy a new sense of value of himself. It has helped him to feel that he

has a certain creative ability. It has also given the boys a great opportunity for nature study and fellowship with each other.

In spite of the fact that we were very busy in growing our various farm produce we did not lose sight of the fact that it was the purpose of the management of the camp to develop better Scouts and acquaint them with Scouting in all the various branches of the movement. We feel that this work and play farming camp has meant everything to the boys who are having this experience.

### **THE FALL DRIVE**

Our District work is in fine shape for the biggest drive ever in the history of our work. Quite a few of our Scout Masters have enlisted but we have been successful so far in getting men to fill their places. New troops are in the process of organization and others are planning to organize.

A course of lectures will be given to all the Scout Masters of the District, beginning the first of October. Every Scout Master will be notified regarding the time and place of the meetings and should by all means attend.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Court of Honor for merit badges only will be in session the first and second Friday afternoon of each month, beginning October 1st, at the Hamilton Park Field House, from 4:00 until 5:30.

The Scout Masters' Conference will be held the second Thursday in each month at 8:00 o'clock, at the Hamilton Park Field House.

The Patrol Leaders' Council meeting for September will meet with Troop 600 at the Englewood Baptist Church House, Stewart Avenue near 63rd Street, at 7:30 P. M., September 15th. Every Patrol Leader should be present for we are to elect officers for the Council for this coming year.

### **OUTINGS**

Every troop of the District has been out on one or two week-end hikes during the vacation. Some of the boys have gone to Whitehall but not as many as we had hoped for and the others have gone to the various small camps.

### **OAK PARK SCOUTS**

Troop 10 of Oak Park is busily engaged in building a trek cart. This will greatly help the troop in the extensive fall hikes planned by the officers of the troop. Some over-night hikes are already planned and it is hoped the trek cart will be ready soon.

The Court of Honor met at the Y. M. C. A. building last Thursday and Scout Sunde of Troop 5 passed his Merit Badge work in Training; Scout Whitner passed Merit Badge in Training and Signalling.





Midlothian Scout Farm  
"It Beets All"

### WOODLAWN DISTRICT

All Woodlawn troops have started in for a strenuous year of Scouting, after summer activities that have made a new record amongst records that already were startling.

In the first place, the Woodlawn camp was a complete success, beginning well and ending better. Members of thirteen troops attended, but that did not seem to bring any bad luck. There was no sickness, no serious injury, no misconduct. There was a lot of good fun, high-class scout work, fine grub, and the best sort of scout spirit all the way through. Mr. Walsh's aids on the staff, all volunteers, were trained men who put all their energy and ability into their work and correctly figured on the scouts doing the same. The thanks of all the scouts and their parents are due to these officers, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Rutherford, and Doctor Miller, for their fine work. Scout Masters of troops in the district also did their bit for different periods of the nine-week season, among them Mr. Neeves of troop 568, Mr. Colcord of troop 553, Mr. Boles of troop 556,

Mr. Thomson of troop 560, and Mr. McCullough of troop 565.

The camp returned the campers to their homes not only physically fit and efficient in scoutcraft, but with a new Woodlawn spirit and a new troop spirit, both of which will mean much to the progress of the district during the coming months.

The best feature of the camp was probably the large Satisfactory and Honor list. Scouts in camp who did all that was expected of them in work, sport, and scout progress eagerly and thoroughly were designated Satisfactory campers and awarded the red camp service bar pin. Scouts who exceeded this and stood out as leaders in the success of the camp were designated Honor Campers and were awarded the red and blue bar pin. The complete lists for the summer follow:

#### Honor Campers

Troop 551:	Troop 560:
Robert Bradley	George Daniels
Ludwig Loewenthal	Troop 565:
Troop 553:	Clark Bridges
Albert Galigher	Donald McCullough
Troop 556:	Troop 568:
Norman Horton	James Channon
Harry Reid	Robert Short
Frank Miller	Clark Davis
Troop 23:	Geo. Southerland
William Edens	Richard Curtis
Gordon Reynolds	Troop 580:
George Way	Clifford Jones
Alfred Stern	Troop 559:
Donald Harfield	Harry Slott
Ray Overholtz	
Adrian Kraus	

#### Satisfactory Campers

Troop 23:	William Goodere
Clarence Metz	John Poffinberger
Raworth Stevenson	Raymond Tarbet
George Brady	Troop 560:
Harold Wolfson	David Dickson
Jacob Mayer	Troop 563:
Sylvester Levenson	Robert Black
Frank Woodruff	Chester Parkhurst
Jesse Weislow	Junior Bradley
Joseph Frank	Arthur Harper
Herman Mandel	Barney Baxter
Herbert Schwartz	Rufus McVicker
Troop 551:	Elbert Wagner
Richard de Berard	Troop 565:
Paul Kraft	Lawrence Perkins
Louis Levy	Lloyd Howell
Milton Schwartz	Troop 568:
Martin Solomon	Paul Walters
Troop 553:	William Rook
Robert Gray	Ray Grapperhaus
Fred Hobscheid	James Galligan
Angel Rasmussen	Robert Nelson
Troop 556:	Leigh Curtis
Bonnell Allen	Jack Kuhns
William Poage	Marshall Souerby
Ernest Simmons	Troop 580:
Robert Fisher	Irving Boberg
James Stoker	



**STRONG PROGRAM AHEAD**

The main events in the Woodlawn district program this fall have begun with Scout Masters' Patrol Leaders' and Special service Corps' meetings, and the items now definitely on the calendar ahead are these:

Saturday, September 22—First fall district Rally.

Thursday, October 9—Accident and Fire Prevention Day demonstrations.

Friday-Sunday, October 12-14—Third annual Starved Rock hike.

October 15-November 2—Troop Efficiency Tests.

November 3—Efficiency Contest Rally.

November 30-December 2—Another three-day hike, place to be announced.

There will also be the regular monthly Scout Masters' and Patrol Leaders' conferences, the weekly meetings of the Court of Honor at district Headquarters, Wednesday afternoons, and a new feature, weekly district hikes, most of them over-night trips, to all the worth-while hiking places accessible to Woodlawn troops.

These weekly hikes were heartily endorsed by the Scout Masters at their fall conference, and will make it possible for every scout in the district to get all the outdoor Scouting he has time for, even though the hikes of his own troops may be infrequent. The details of each hike are announced weekly through the Scout Masters' bulletin.

Executive Walsh and all Scout Masters are looking for new Scout Masters—able men beyond the military age, to replace those who have joined the colors and to take charge of additional troops. Scouts' fathers who have already felt an interest in Scouting may now see their way to do their bit for the community and the nation even though they cannot go into the army, and the response to the call for men in the district should be prompt and sufficient.

**NEW SCOUT SONG**

Did you get a copy of that new Scout Song, "Hoe your little Bit in your own Back Yard." Get a free copy for every Scout in your Troop, at Headquarters. Sing it at your Troop meeting. It is great!

**WEST SIDE NEWS**

The grand Rally at Camp Shabbona on Labor Day was a great success and was attended by at least one thousand people, in spite of the threatening weather. Great interest was shown by the friends of the Scouts in the many new buildings which have been erected this year, particularly the new house of Troop 390, Mr. H. L. Spedding, Scout Master, and the new style of bunk house which is being erected to take the place of the canvas houses. The ingenious device by which a shower bath has been installed on the river front also attracted considerable notice. During the latter part of the summer camp there was considerable trouble by the lack of water, and the boys have been sinking a new well and it is down now to eighteen feet and still in dry territory, but have hopes of breaking through at almost any time.

The sports of the day were the occasion of many spirited contests, and Troop 278 did not have any walk away this year, being closely pressed by Troops 390 and 365. Mr. Eby's Troop was also in splendid form, and in spite of the absence of their valued Scout Master, Mr. Carter, who has enlisted in the United States Army, Troop 225 came up smiling. Mr. Spies old guard of 312 made a splendid showing, but were handicapped because there were so few of them there. Excellent records were also made by Troops 294, 246, 261, 303 and 204, and nearly all the troops who competed follow:



New Bunk House of Troop 390 at Camp Shabbona

Troop 278—45 points.  
Troop 390—38 points.  
Troop 365—37 points.  
Troop 232—20 points.  
Troop 225—18 points.  
Troop 312—16 points.  
Troop 294—10 points.  
Troop 246—10 points.  
Troop 303— 9 points.  
Troop 204— 8 points.  
Troop 336— 5 points.  
Troop 273— 4 points.  
Troop 337— 3 points.  
Troop 377— 2 points.  
Troop 202— 1 point.  
Troop 230— 1 point.  
Troop 230— 1 point.  
Troop 252— 1 point.



## AROUND THE TOTEM

By the Tote Scout

C. C. H.

When working on the Totem Pole at Camp Owasippe this summer, we did not think of doing anything out of the ordinary, did we? Out in the woods with pine trees all about us, a thousand things to do and every one different. the Totem Pole was just one of the many stunts of the camp.

We brought it back to the Office Headquarters with us and it has become dear to the Scouts for the associated memories of the wonderful spirit of the 1917 camp. From time to time we will gather around the Totem Pole in spirit, at least, to carry out some of the ideas and to live out the inspiration received, while at work on the Totem Pole. This month's message will be just Hello! and Good bye!

I received a letter the other day from the Big Chief at Terre Haute saying he missed you fellows, and would like to spend another month with us. He says you are all good Indians and members of his Yaakahoola Tribe. I believe the Chief only thinks we are good Indians. but **we know** he is one of the livest Scouts we ever had with us at Camp.

You are back with your own troops and now is the time to put into action the spirit of Scouting among your chums. Camp time may mean the biggest time of the year to you, but in reality, it is only the getting ready for the next year's work. We tried to give you around the camp fires in the many varied stunts, an idea of what a real Scout should be. We did not say much about the Scout Oath and Law in camp as you fellows had every opportunity to live up to it, but now that you are home again, meeting boys every day who are not Scouts, it is going to be a little harder to live up to the Scout ideals.



Have you told the rest of your troop about the camp fire stunts, the in-door activities, the stories by the Chief in the Headquarters tent, and the rest of the good things that happened at Camp? If each one of you will consider yourselves a delegation of one to give to five other Scouts, the spirit of the 1917 camp, you can rest assured that while you are carrying out this mission, you will be putting forth every effort possible to be a good Scout. Let us hear from you from time to time. If you have any pictures taken at Camp Owasippe, we will be glad to pay you for any we can use. I am still working on the idea of a winter camp at Owasippe, and perhaps will tell you more about it next month, also have an idea for another big exhibition some time during the winter.

Are you for us or against us?

We are,

Will we fight or run?

We will.

That's fine, here's the Chief, let us celebrate him in song.

Chiefy Bum Beefy,

The elegant Squeefy,

Tee legged, tie legged, bow legged Chiefy.

That's all boys, good night. Don't forget taps, six o'clock in the morning.

Tote Scout.

## BOYS' LIFE TO GO TO \$1.50

It is well known, even outside of the magazine trade, that the cost of paper, printing and everything connected with the making of a magazine has increased enormously within the past year. Practically all of the magazines have been obliged to raise their subscription prices or lower their standards.

BOYS' LIFE could not consider lowering its standards, but it has delayed raising the subscription price just so long as it was possible to do so.

The time has now come when an increase is imperative, and beginning with the December number, the subscription price will be \$1.50.

This increase will provide not only for the increased expense, but also for a marked improvement in the quantity and quality of the contents, besides the big value of the premiums. BOYS' LIFE has never made a profit and probably never will, as it is not conducted for that purpose, but if there should be any surplus, it will be devoted to the further extension of the Boy Scout Movement, so that all boys will share in the benefits.

Before the increased subscription price of \$1.50 goes into effect, that is, before November 10th, a last chance is offered the Scout constituency to get BOYS' LIFE for a whole year and one of the very serviceable premiums for \$1.00. Better act promptly for yourself or your friends.



**STOCK YARDS DISTRICT NOTES**

Saturday, September 22nd, an invitation swimming meet will be held at Armour & Company's Swimming Pool, between Troops 423, Swift and Company, 442 Morris and Company and 422 Armour and Company. There will be several different programs carried out including speed races, fancy diving and relay races. The meet will take place at 2:00 o'clock and promises to be a very interesting affair.

At the Scout Masters' Meeting held at the Union Avenue M. E. Church, Thursday, September 13th, quite a few new faces were seen, and the new Scout Masters were very much pleased with the fellowship given them by the older Scout Masters of the District.

A District hike is being planned for Saturday, October 6th, when every troop in the District will meet at Camp Blackhawk in competition on fire-building, knot-tying, tracking and observation test contest.

**HYDE PARK DISTRICT NOTES**

Fall plans for the Hyde Park District Scout Masters' Association are well under way and the first meeting is called for Tuesday evening, September 18th, at the Kenwood Church, 4600 Greenwood Avenue, at 7:45 P. M. Every Scout Master should be present or have a representative present with authority to represent your troop. The Scout Master, the Assistant Scout Master, the Senior Patrol Leader and the Troop Scribe are invited to be present. "What will your Troop do?" This question will be discussed and it is expected each troop will have some plan to present that will make Scout work of the Hyde Park District "Hum" with activity this fall and winter.

**PATROL LEADERS' ASSOCIATION**

Monday, September 24th, the Patrol Leaders will meet at the Troop Headquarters of Troop 538—the University Congregational Church, 56th and Dorchester. Session begins at 5:30. Bring a picnic lunch. Some very important plans are to be brought up and some new officers will be nominated.

**WEDDING BELLS IN HYDE PARK**

Since the close of the last spring contest among troops, three of the Hyde Park Scout Masters have "done gone went and did it," that is they got married.

Scout Master F. N. Robb of Troop 538, was married to Miss Marjorie Newell on June 20th in Lexington, Mass. They spent their honeymoon in the Catskill Mountains and will reside at 6803 East End Avenue. Seven yeas! for Mr. and Mrs. Robb.

Scout Master Dr. Davies Lazaer of Troop 508 was married on June 26th to Miss Jane Harris at the St. James Episcopal Church. Dr. Lazaer has enlisted in the Medical Corps and has been assigned to a Base Hospital in France.

Boys: Seven Yeas! for Mr. and Mrs. Lazaer!

Scout Master Alex. H. Ross of Troop 501, meeting in the First Presbyterian Church, was married to Miss Ethel Marie Brown on Saturday, August 11th. Mr. and Mrs. Ross will make their home on Park Avenue, on the West Side. Come on, boys, seven yeas! for Mr. and Mrs. Ross.

Congratulations are in order in every case and the Scouts of all the Hyde Park District extend heartiest and sincerest good wishes and a bright and happy future.

**CALUMET DISTRICT**

The Scout Masters of the Calumet District meet to plan District activities for the fall, on Thursday, September 20th, at 7:45 P. M., at Palmer Park. Every Scout Master should be present. If unable to be present be sure and send some one to represent his Troop. The Assistant Scout Master, the Senior Patrol Leader and the Troop Scribe are expected to be present. Something is going to be doing this fall. Another Big Rally and Field Meet is planned and your Troop must needs get in on the doings.

Patrol Leaders Association will meet on Tuesday, September 25th, at the Vincent M. E. Church, 91st Street and Langley Avenue, the Headquarters of Troop 768.

**SHABBONA SUMMER CAMP**

The Summer Camp was a splendid success from the start. It was attended by over 400 boys, many of them staying over for several periods. They had lots of fun and the eats were declared to be good, and there was great work done in the requirements and in the obtaining of merit badges. Besides doing all this good for themselves, the Scouts maintained a garden where Mr. Spies expects to harvest a fine crop of navy beans, tomatoes and corn, which will help to stave off any possible war famine. On account of the low price of the fee required, it is probable that Camp will entail a small financial loss upon the Organization, but Headquarters feel they are much satisfied because they believed that the Troops of the District will be much benefited by the attendance of their Scouts at this camp. It is hoped that next year many more of the Scout Masters can arrange to spend their vacations at Camp Shabbona. The boys always do better work when their own Scout Master is present, and he is enabled to direct their efforts in such a way that it will be beneficial to the Troop.

Stephen M. Major, Dist. Sec'y.



## BOYS' PART IN FIRE PREVENTION

(A resume of an article in Scouting, by Fire Chief James J. Mulcahey of Yonkers, N. Y.)

It may seem queer but it is necessary to educate the people in caring for their possessions. This is especially true in the case of fire prevention. The public is very lax and careless of fire risk and the enormous losses by fire should be given publicity and an educational system started that will save a great amount of property and even life.

It has been only a few years since it was considered impossible to arouse the public interest in a movement of this kind as the insurance companies seemed more than willing to pay the loss. But by the persistent efforts of a few earnest workers, the real loss has begun to dawn on the people and a much greater interest is being taken in the conservation of property.

The governors of many of the states have become interested and each year proclaim a Fire Prevention Day. Cities and merchants are keeping closer watch on clean premises and architects and builders are studying more closely fire proof and fire resisting materials.

The matter should be carried farther, however, and ministers, school teachers and parents must be made to realize the seriousness of the subject and give it attention and publicity.

In the schools they are taught fire drills and if a few hours each week were given to a subject as interesting as this to the children, it would be of inestimable value and everlasting benefit.

The people must be made to know that the annual waste by fire is as great as war, famine or flood. It is in a large way responsible for the high cost of living for it merges with the cost of what we eat, drink and wear. Every year \$250,000,000 worth of merchandise and buildings are consumed. A great part of this waste is the result of criminal negligence.

Children at school age are most susceptible to education and it would seem wise to start to educate them in fire prevention at that time.

An organized Fire Protective League has become very interesting and the reports of the boys are personally investigated by some member of the Fire Department and action taken officially by the department. The number of alarms has been greatly reduced and a saving of \$42,000 in the ten months since its formation as compared to the same period in 1914.

The results are directly traceable to the work through the schools and the boys and is reaching out through them to the householder and the business man.

## YEAR BOOK TO BE PUBLISHED

To provide a proper record of the many interesting and worth-while facts in the year's history of Woodlawn Scouting, a district Year Book is being published for the scouts and their friends. It will include the Camp Memory Book and the story of Woodlawn's splendid war service during the spring and summer. The book will be available to scouts at a nominal price.

## "STARVED ROCK HIKE"

Second class and first class scouts of the Woodlawn district will go on their third annual three-day hike to Starved Rock, Friday, October 12th, which, because Columbus discovered the New World some years ago, is usually a school holiday. Woodlawn scouts will honor Columbus with more than ordinary sincerity as they cover the first lap of the trip, between Chicago and Joliet, on that date. The following day there will be a special car to take the party to Starved Rock and back to Joliet at night. Joliet scouts will have a part in making the Chicago boys' journey a pleasant one. The cost will not exceed \$3.85, last year's figure, and may possibly be less. The trip includes not only all the interesting things at and about Starved Rock and the Illinois river canyons, but also all the industrial plants and engineering works along the Drainage canal between Joliet and Chicago. Finally, there is a hike through the famous Forest of Arden near Joliet, where untouched timber, the ruins of an old Indian fort, springs, and other interesting things make the boys remember that they've been there. The hike will be in charge of the district Executive and a corps of Scout Masters.

Here's what Arthur Guy Empey tells of the Red Cross work in the Trenches for the Red Cross Number of "Fashions of the Hour."

"Crouched on the firestep, covered with mud are two Stretcher Bearers. (Crack! pup! pup! pup! Crack!)

"Blime me, Fritz is sure kicking up a row out in front. Hug her close—here comes a shrapnel—Whiz-z-z-Bang! Our raiding party is sure clicking it, they ought to have been back long before this. There'll be a lot go west, this night—Keep your head down, you can't see nothing that way. Crack!—Zing! Gimme your handkerchief me eyes are full o'dirt. Did you hear that What is it? Sounds like someone moaning. It's one o' our boys—he's out in front—he's hit. Ask the sentry if he heard it.

(Very faintly from out of the blackness in front)—"Stretcher Bearers—Oh!—God—God"—Crack!

"Come on Bill, it's over the top an' out in front to bring in the poor beggar." Crack!



This is a small part of one thrilling article Mr. Empey wrote for the Red Cross number of "Fashions of the Hour."

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### PASSING THE BUCK

A pleasant pastime known as "Passing the Buck," or "Let George Do It," seems to have grown up in many of our corporations, shops and offices. It is played to a greater or less extent in almost every business and pleases a lot of men who think that because they can shift their responsibility to George, they are climbing up the ladder of business success—getting on in the world.

The only man who has the right to "Pass the Buck" is the boss, and remember he doesn't do it because he wants to, but because he hasn't the time for everything that takes place under his jurisdiction.

When the boss asks you to do a thing, do it yourself or see that it is done properly. If the boss wanted George to do it, he would have asked George in the first place.

The fellow who insists on passing the buck all the time, is likely to come to work some day and find that George has his job.—"Oakland, Calif., Scribe."



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